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The following are listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and are in a non-English language:

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-079645 - English-language translation is attached to the document. The relevance of this document is also discussed at pages 6 and 8 of the specification of the present application.
2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 60-021214 - An English language abstract of this document is enclosed.
3. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2001-179928 - English-language translation is attached to the document.
4. Japanese Patent Publication No. 54-121805 - An English language abstract of this document is enclosed.
5. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2003-241397 - English-language translation is attached to the document.
6. Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-153865 - English-language translation is attached to the document. The relevance of this document is also discussed at pages 2 and 8 of the specification of the present application.
7. Japanese Patent Publication No. 08-300600 - English-language translation is attached to the document. The relevance of this document is also discussed at pages 2 and 8 of the specification of the present application.
8. Japanese Patent Publication No. 52-62503 - An English-language abstract of this document is enclosed. The relevance of this document is also discussed at pages 5 and 8 of the specification of the present application.
9. Japanese Patent Publication No. 63-202751 - An English-language abstract of this document is enclosed. The relevance of this document is also discussed at pages 5 and 8 of the specification of the present application.

10. Japanese Patent Publication No. 3209928 - English-language translation is attached to the document. The relevance of this document is also discussed at pages 5 and 8 of the specification of the present application.

11. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2003-039848 - English-language translation is attached to the document. The relevance of this document is also discussed at pages 7 and 8 of the specification of the present application.

12. German Patent Publication No. DT 26 40105 A1 - The relevance of this document is discussed at pages 4 and 8 of the specification of the present application.

Also, enclosed is an English-language international search report from the Japanese Patent Office in the PCT international application, from which this national phase U.S. application is derived, citing documents 1-5 above, and setting forth the relevance thereof.

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